

Chickens and Eggs

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Special Note

The monthly and annual Egg-Type and Broiler-Type Placement of Pullet Chicks Intended for Hatchery Supply Flocks data are now available on Quick Stats for 2013 to date. Please contact the Livestock Branch at (202) 720-3570 or email at HQ_SD_LB@nass.usda.gov with any questions or concerns.

July Egg Production Up 9 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.50 billion during July 2016, up 9 percent from last year. Production included 7.36 billion table eggs, and 1.15 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 97 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during July 2016 averaged 358 million, up 7 percent from last year. July egg production per 100 layers was 2,378 eggs, up 2 percent from July 2015.

All layers in the United States on August 1, 2016 totaled 357 million, up 7 percent from last year. The 357 million layers consisted of 299 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.82 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on August 1, 2016, averaged 77.2 eggs per 100 layers, up 3 percent from August 1, 2015.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Up Slightly

Egg-type chicks hatched during July 2016 totaled 42.9 million, up slightly from July 2015. Eggs in incubators totaled 38.2 million on August 1, 2016, down 14 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 268 thousand during July 2016, up slightly from July 2015.

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched Up 1 Percent

Broiler-type chicks hatched during July 2016 totaled 810 million, up 1 percent from July 2015. Eggs in incubators totaled 650 million on August 1, 2016, up slightly from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 7.96 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during July 2016, up 7 percent from July 2015.

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Average Number of All Layers on Hand During the Month - United States: 2015-2016

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Month	2015	2016
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)
December ¹	369,521	347,847
January	366,702	351,297
February	365,440	357,128
March	365,951	361,243
April	361,956	361,126
May	345,342	360,621
June	332,622	359,284
July	333,250	357,600
August	334,491	
September	336,610	
October	339,431	
November	343,469	

¹ December preceding year.

Egg Production During the Month by Type – United States: 2015-2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Total	eggs	Table	Table eggs		g eggs
IVIOLITI	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(million eggs)					
December 1	8,829	8,119	7,731	6,986	1,098	1,133
January	8,613	8,161	7,504	7,024	1,109	1,137
February	7,688	7,825	6,685	6,759	1,004	1,066
March	8,635	8,502	7,517	7,363	1,118	1,139
April	8,294	8,208	7,198	7,095	1,096	1,113
May	8,083	8,514	6,942	7,359	1,141	1,155
June	7,512	8,210	6,402	7,099	1,110	1,111
July	7,778	8,503	6,630	7,356	1,148	1,147
August	7,802		6,656		1,146	
September	7,565		6,467		1,098	
October	7,874		6,744		1,130	
November	7,764		6,673		1,091	
During year	96,437		83,147		13,289	

¹ December preceding year.

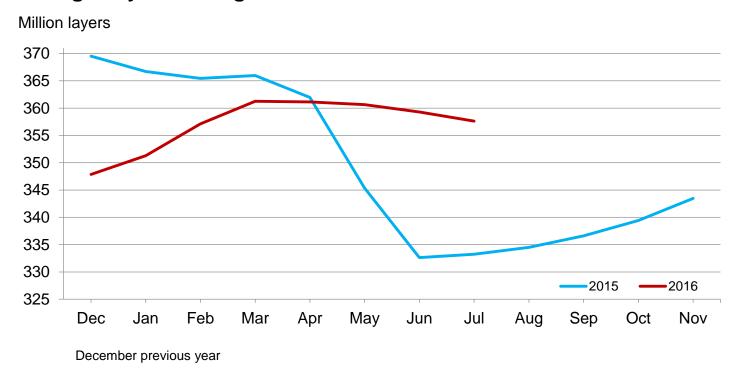
Egg Production During the Month in Dozens by Type - United States: 2015-2016

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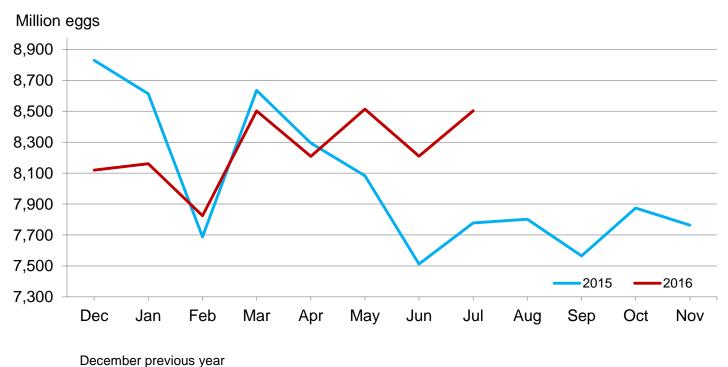
Month	Total eggs		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
MOHUI	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 dozen eggs)					
December ¹	735,299	676,404	643,875	582,119	91,424	94,285
January	717,637	679,329	625,260	584,911	92,377	94,418
February	640,473	651,565	557,059	562,967	83,414	88,598
March	719,504	707,961	626,271	613,068	93,233	94,893
April	691,169	683,874	599,877	591,291	91,292	92,583
May	672,993	709,118	578,035	612,951	94,958	96,167
June	625,716	684,036	533,401	591,560	92,315	92,476
July	647,879	708,378	552,437	612,718	95,442	95,660
August	649,852		554,618		95,234	
September	630,194		538,759		91,435	
October	655,981		561,930		94,051	
November	646,905		555,873		91,032	
During year	8,033,602		6,927,395		1,106,207	

¹ December preceding year.

Average Layers During the Month – United States



All Egg Production During the Month – United States



Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: June-July 2015 and 2016

[Totals may not add due to rounding]

		2016	percent of 2015
Layers during June			
All layers	332,622	359,284	108
Table egg type	274,176	300,962	110
Hatching egg type1,00		58,322	100
Broiler-type hatching		54,530	99
Egg-type hatching1,000		3,792	118
Eggs per 100 layers during June			
All layers numbe	r 2,258	2,285	101
Table egg typenumbe	r 2,335	2,359	101
Hatching egg type numbe	r 1,899	1,905	100
Broiler-type hatchingnumbe	r 1,867	1,861	100
Egg-type hatching numbe	2,449	2,532	103
Eggs produced during June			
All layers million		8,210	109
Table egg type million	·	7,099	111
Hatching egg type million		1,111	100
Broiler-type hatching million	·	1,015	98
Egg-type hatching million	79	96	122
Eggs produced during June	205.740	004.000	400
All layers	·	684,036	109
Table egg type		591,560	111
Hatching egg type1,000 doze		92,476	100
Broiler-type hatching		84,451	98
Egg-type hatching1,000 doze	6,559	8,025	122
Layers on July 1	222.422	250.045	100
All layers		358,045	108
Table egg type		299,988	109
Hatching egg type		58,057	100
Broiler-type hatching	·	54,334 3,723	99 113
Lgg-type flatching	3,291	3,723	113
Eggs per 100 layers on July 1 All layersnumbe	r 75.3	76.1	101
Table egg typenumbe		78.5	101
Hatching egg typenumbe		63.6	100
Broiler-type hatchingnumbe		62.1	99
Egg-type hatchingnumbe		85.0	104
Moltad layors on July 1			
Molted layers on July 1 Being moltedpercer	3.0	2.5	83
Molt completed		17.7	97
work completedpercer	10.2	17.7	97
Layers sold for slaughter during June	13,802	17,883	130
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted			
or disappeared for any reason during June1,00	10,255	8,022	78
Pullets on July 1	104,992	117,525	112
Pullets added during June ¹	23,550	26,214	111

¹ Pullet chicks less than 3 days old added to pullet flocks.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type and Molt – United States: July-August 2015 and 2016 [Totals may not add due to rounding]

Item	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
Layers during July			
All layers	333,250	357,600	107
Table egg type1,000		299,561	109
Hatching egg type	- 7	58,039	100
Broiler-type hatching		54,264	99
Egg-type hatching		3,775	114
-55 7,	,,,,,,	3,110	
Eggs per 100 layers during July	. 224	2 270	100
All layersnumber		2,378	102
Table egg typenumber		2,456	102
Hatching egg typenumber	· ·	1,976	100
Broiler-type hatchingnumber		1,935	100
Egg-type hatchingnumber	2,540	2,570	101
Eggs produced during July			
All layersmillior	7,778	8,503	109
Table egg typemillior		7,356	111
Hatching egg typemillior		1,147	100
	1,064	1,050	99
Broiler-type hatchingmillion		,	
Egg-type hatchingmillior	84	97	115
Eggs produced during July			
All layers	647,879	708,378	109
Table egg type	552,437	612,718	111
Hatching egg type	95,442	95,660	100
Broiler-type hatching	88,427	87,568	99
Egg-type hatching		8,092	115
Layers on August 1			
All layers	334,040	357,124	107
		299,121	107
Table egg type	,	,	
Hatching egg type		58,003	100
Broiler-type hatching		54,182	99
Egg-type hatching1,000	3,314	3,821	115
Eggs per 100 layers on August 1			
All layersnumber	75.1	77.2	103
Table egg typenumber	77.5	79.8	103
Hatching egg typenumber		64.0	101
Broiler-type hatchingnumbel		62.8	100
Egg-type hatchingnumber		80.5	98
Malle discourse on Account 4			
Molted layers on August 1	0.7	0.5	00
Being moltedpercent		2.5	93
Molt completedpercen	19.2	17.5	91
Layers sold for slaughter during July	15,092	15,597	103
Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted			
or disappeared for any reason during July1,000	6,000	8,702	145
Pullets on August 1		116,933	107
·		110,933	107
Pullets added during July ¹	27,448	24,558	89

¹ Pullet chicks less than 3 days old added to pullet flocks.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During June 2015 and 2016

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All la	yers	Eggs pe all la	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama	1,454	1,504	9,545	9,119	1,907	1,853
Arkansas	3,720	3,850	13,286	13,734	2,025	1,988
California	11,290	11,847	11,798	12,358	2,272	2,330
Colorado	4,085	4,019	4,563	4,471	2,389	2,460
Florida	8,507	7,838	8,888	8,221	2,228	2,299
Georgia	9,436	9,509	18,358	18,697	2,119	2,081
Illinois	4,111	4,748	4,589	5,225	2,223	2,488
Indiana	27,130	29,038	28,049	30,014	2,342	2,349
lowa	33,236	49,918	34,374	51,271	2,220	2,321
Maryland	2,539	2,479	2,709	2,647	2,436	2,418
Michigan	12,679	12,783	12,904	13,029	2,402	2,441
Minnesota	7,936	9,360	8,395	9,800	2,263	2,296
Mississippi	1,538	1,416	5,902	5,600	2,033	2,018
Missouri	7,108	7,154	10,652	10,613	2,272	2,422
Nebraska	6,323	9,094	6,431	9,202	2,519	2,423
New York	4,496	5,239	4,859	5,603	2,490	2,445
North Carolina	6,627	6,577	14,527	14,286	2,038	2,065
Ohio	31,730	30,559	32,586	31,419	2,357	2,336
Oregon	2,155	2,197	2,294	2,336	2,616	2,526
Pennsylvania	23,745	24,954	25,661	27,205	2,439	2,481
South Carolina	3,297	2,987	4,563	4,271	2,170	2,248
South Dakota	1,512	1,926	1,654	2,068	2,479	2,273
Texas	15,036	16,173	19,129	20,185	2,175	2,180
Utah	4,477	4,496	4,515	4,534	2,348	2,272
Virginia	1,079	1,194	2,845	2,944	2,144	2,140
Washington	7,101	6,577	7,266	6,742	2,353	2,388
Wisconsin	3,370	5,035	4,110	5,723	2,360	2,324
Other States ¹	18,932	18,977	28,170	27,967	2,212	2,231
United States	264,649	291,448	332,622	359,284	2,258	2,285

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced - States and United States: During July 2015 and 2016

State	Table egg		All layers		Eggs pe all la	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Alabama	1,512	1,491	9,449	9,004	1,990	1,932
Arkansas	3,913	3,803	13,479	13,719	2,077	2,107
California	11,438	11,458	11,941	11,975	2,286	2,438
Colorado	4,093	3,771	4,576	4,225	2,601	2,533
Florida	8,533	7,868	8,926	8,291	2,319	2,400
Georgia	9,593	9,260	18,461	18,357	2,183	2,239
Illinois	4,215	4,678	4,689	5,159	2,261	2,636
Indiana	27,653	28,340	28,613	29,321	2,425	2,456
lowa	32,448	50,782	33,593	52,128	2,307	2,388
Maryland	2,539	2,476	2,703	2,636	2,516	2,466
Michigan	12,852	12,814	13,069	13,052	2,433	2,498
Minnesota	7,854	9,528	8,314	9,971	2,418	2,467
Mississippi	1,536	1,438	5,801	5,601	2,103	2,125
Missouri	6,980	7,032	10,510	10,532	2,331	2,526
Nebraska	5,769	9,120	5,877	9,228	2,569	2,492
New York	4,567	5,349	4,927	5,713	2,578	2,503
North Carolina	6,831	6,632	14,747	14,227	2,089	2,165
Ohio	32,126	29,997	32,978	30,857	2,411	2,421
Oregon	2,306	2,057	2,445	2,196	2,618	2,596
Pennsylvania	23,843	24,836	25,797	27,094	2,508	2,602
South Carolina	3,066	2,950	4,309	4,245	2,344	2,238
South Dakota	1,408	2,039	1,550	2,181	2,516	2,247
Texas	15,360	16,169	19,421	20,078	2,266	2,276
Utah	4,354	4,405	4,392	4,443	2,505	2,318
Virginia	1,113	1,260	2,836	3,022	2,080	2,184
Washington	7,162	6,789	7,327	6,954	2,470	2,459
Wisconsin	3,527	4,756	4,267	5,445	2,484	2,406
Other States ¹	19,028	18,949	28,253	27,946	2,304	2,312
United States	265,619	290,047	333,250	357,600	2,334	2,378

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Egg Production by Type - States and United States: June 2015 and 2016

State	Total pro	duction	Table	eggs	Hatching eggs	
State	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(million eggs)					
Alabama	182	169	36	34	146	135
Arkansas	269	273	94	95	175	178
California	268	288	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	109	110	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida	198	189	193	185	5	4
Georgia	389	389	219	215	170	174
Illinois	102	130	97	125	5	5
Indiana	657	705	640	686	17	19
lowa	763	1,190	747	1,168	16	22
Maryland	66	64	64	62	2	2
Michigan	310	318	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	190	225	184	219	6	6
Mississippi	120	113	38	34	82	79
Missouri	242	257	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska	162	223	162	223	-	-
New York	121	137	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	296	295	152	154	144	141
Ohio	768	734	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	60	59	60	59	` -	` -
Pennsylvania	626	675	599	639	27	36
South Carolina	99	96	76	73	23	23
South Dakota	41	47	41	47	-	-
Texas	416	440	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	106	103	106	103	-	-
Virginia	61	63	30	32	31	31
Washington	171	161	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	97	133	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States 1	623	624	486	491	137	133
United States	7,512	8,210	6,402	7,099	1,110	1,111

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Egg Production by Type - States and United States: July 2015 and 2016

Ctata	Total pro	duction	Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
State	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)				
Alabama	188	174	40	36	148	138
Arkansas	280	289	98	99	182	190
California	273	292	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	119	107	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida	207	199	202	194	5	5
Georgia	403	411	228	232	175	179
Illinois	106	136	101	131	5	5
Indiana	694	720	674	702	20	18
lowa	775	1,245	758	1,223	17	22
Maryland	68	65	66	64	2	1
Michigan	318	326	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	201	246	194	240	7	6
Mississippi	122	119	39	36	83	83
Missouri	245	266	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska	151	230	151	230	` -	· -
New York	127	143	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	308	308	158	164	1 5 0	144
Ohio	795	747	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	64	57	`64	`57	-	-
Pennsylvania	647	705	619	668	28	37
South Carolina	101	95	78	71	23	24
South Dakota	39	49	39	49	-	_
Texas	440	457	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	110	103	110	103	-	-
Virginia	59	66	27	33	32	33
Washington	181	171	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	106	131	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States ¹	651	646	509	509	142	137
United States	7,778	8,503	6,630	7,356	1,148	1,147

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Egg Production in Dozens by Type - States and United States: June 2015 and 2016

State	Total pro	oduction	Table	eggs	Hatchir	ng eggs
State	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 dozen eggs)					
Alabama	15,208	14,075	3,008	2,792	12,200	11,283
Arkansas	22,409	22,733	7,817	7,933	14,592	14,800
California	22,258	23,975	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	9,092	9,191	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida	16,475	15,784	16,083	15,417	392	367
Georgia	32,433	32,458	18,233	17,950	14,200	14,508
Illinois	8,483	10,858	8,075	10,450	408	408
Indiana	54,767	58,692	53,342	57,150	1,425	1,542
lowa	63,550	99,167	62,250	97,342	1,300	1,825
Maryland	5,483	5,317	5,358	5,192	125	125
Michigan	25,842	26,467	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	15,817	18,750	15,317	18,258	500	492
Mississippi	10,000	9,459	3,192	2,842	6,808	6,617
Missouri	20,167	21,400	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska	13,475	18,542	13,475	18,542	-	-
New York	10,050	11,350	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	24,625	24,567	12,642	12,792	11,983	11,775
Ohio	64,008	61,184	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	4,967	4,908	4,967	4,908	-	-
Pennsylvania	52,092	56,217	49,875	53,242	2,217	2,975
South Carolina	8,233	8,042	6,350	6,100	1,883	1,942
South Dakota	3,425	3,908	3,425	3,908	-	-
Texas	34,683	36,691	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	8,825	8,550	8,825	8,550	-	-
Virginia	5,083	5,309	2,483	2,692	2,600	2,617
Washington	14,250	13,383	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	8,075	11,042	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States ¹	51,941	52,017	40,609	40,984	11,332	11,033
United States	625,716	684,036	533,401	591,560	92,315	92,476

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Egg Production in Dozens by Type - States and United States: July 2015 and 2016

Ctoto	Total pro	oduction	Table	eggs	Hatching eggs	
State	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 dozen eggs)					
Alabama	15,667	14,525	3,300	3,000	12,367	11,525
Arkansas	23,317	24,050	8,192	8,258	15,125	15,792
California	22,725	24,334	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	9,909	8,958	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida	17,233	16,625	16,800	16,192	433	433
Georgia	33,650	34,225	19,033	19,300	14,617	14,925
Illinois	8,808	11,325	8,383	10,917	425	408
Indiana	57,817	60,033	56,175	58,533	1,642	1,500
lowa	64,559	103,742	63,167	101,917	1,392	1,825
Maryland	5,650	5,475	5,517	5,358	133	117
Michigan	26,508	27,100	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	16,708	20,459	16,150	19,967	558	492
Mississippi	10,109	9,900	3,217	3,025	6,892	6,875
Missouri	20,450	22,183	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nebraska	12,600	19,142	12,600	19,142	-	-
New York	10,508	11,909	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	25,675	25,650	13,183	13,650	12,492	12,000
Ohio	66,275	62,241	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	5,342	4,750	5,342	4,750	-	-
Pennsylvania	53,858	58,775	51,550	55,683	2,308	3,092
South Carolina	8,375	7,916	6,467	5,908	1,908	2,008
South Dakota	3,275	4,092	3,275	4,092	-	-
Texas	36,700	38,133	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	9,175	8,608	9,175	8,608	-	-
Virginia	4,908	5,517	2,250	2,742	2,658	2,775
Washington	15,117	14,208	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	8,842	10,900	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other States ¹	54,119	53,603	42,344	42,202	11,775	11,401
United States	647,879	708,378	552,437	612,718	95,442	95,660

Represents zero.
 (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.
 Not published separately to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Molted as Percent of All Layers by Month - United States: 2015-2016

[As of the first of the month. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Being	molted	Molt completed		
- IVIOLIUI	2015	2015 2016		2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
January	2.1	2.5	17.7	21.3	
February	3.3	2.9	17.5	20.6	
March	1.9	1.5	18.5	20.7	
April	2.1	2.9	17.7	19.2	
May	3.1	2.8	17.4	18.7	
June	2.4	2.9	17.2	18.2	
July	3.0	2.5	18.2	17.7	
August	2.7	2.5	19.2	17.5	
September			19.7		
October	3.4		20.5		
November	3.4		21.3		
December	1.8		21.9		

Molted as Percent of All Layers - States and United States: August 1, 2015 and 2016

[As of the first of the month]

Ctata	Being r	molted	Molt completed		
State	2015	2016	2015	2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alabama	1.0	1.0	8.0	12.0	
Arkansas	2.0	-	15.0	20.5	
California	5.0	5.0	23.0	16.5	
Colorado	1.0	1.0	10.0	16.5	
Florida	6.0	2.5	50.0	72.0	
Georgia	2.0	2.5	14.5	18.5	
Illinois	2.0	-	18.5	12.0	
Indiana	0.5	3.0	27.5	15.0	
lowa	4.5	2.0	28.0	12.5	
Maryland	-	-	3.0	-	
Michigan	-	0.5	12.0	7.0	
Minnesota	7.5	1.0	8.0	18.0	
Mississippi	3.0	1.0	14.5	27.0	
Missouri	3.5	4.0	15.5	6.5	
Nebraska	6.0	2.0	1.5	17.5	
New York	1.5	-	5.0	5.5	
North Carolina	-	1.0	17.0	13.0	
Ohio	3.0	7.5	23.5	24.5	
Oregon	-	8.0	16.5	15.5	
Pennsylvania	1.5	0.5	4.5	0.5	
South Carolina	2.5	-	10.5	22.0	
South Dakota	-	-	14.5	16.0	
Texas	5.5	2.5	39.5	51.5	
Utah	8.0	12.0	35.0	24.0	
Virginia	7.0	2.5	16.5	12.0	
Washington	3.5	1.0	26.5	14.0	
Wisconsin	-	8.5	19.0	19.5	
Other States ¹	1.5	1.3	9.2	11.1	
United States	2.7	2.5	19.2	17.5	

⁻ Represents zero.

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Hatchery Production - United States: 2015 and 2016

Item	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(percent)
Egg-type Eggs in incubators on August 1 Chicks hatched during July Chicks hatched January through July Pullets hatched during July for intended placements: Hatchery supply flocks Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier 1	44,480	38,223	86
	42,790	42,947	100
	326,339	364,357	112
	267	268	100
	3,074	3,116	101
Broiler-type Eggs in incubators on August 1 Chicks hatched during July Chicks hatched January through July Pullets hatched during July for intended placements: Hatchery supply flocks Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier ²	646,837	650,000	100
	805,512	810,236	101
	5,471,386	5,540,281	101
	7,428	7,962	107
	63,514	67,871	107

¹ 2016 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2015 through December 2015. ² 2016 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2015 through December 2015.

Egg-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – Regions and United States: 2015-2016

[See regional listing on page 21]

	Jul	y 1	2016 as	Augu	2016 as	
Region	2015	2016	percent of 2015	2015	2016	percent of 2015
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
North Atlantic	7,969 8,394 10,353 4,636 5,631 6,664	6,835 7,582 13,299 4,685 6,281 6,258	86 90 128 101 112 94	7,401 7,352 12,728 5,076 5,706 6,217	7,143 7,188 10,145 4,752 4,061 4,934	97 98 80 94 71 79
United States	43,647	44,940	103	44,480	38,223	86

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2015-2016

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

		By months		Cumulative			
Month 2015 2016		2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015		
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	
January February March April May June July August September November December	43,868 43,774 50,187 50,193 48,315 47,212 42,790 47,131 49,391 50,194 45,848 46,695	47,645 50,481 57,037 51,052 57,155 58,040 42,947	109 115 114 102 118 123 100	43,868 87,642 137,829 188,022 236,337 283,549 326,339 373,470 422,861 473,055 518,903 565,598	47,645 98,126 155,163 206,215 263,370 321,410 364,357	109 112 113 110 111 113 112	

Intended Placements of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month – United States: 2015-2017

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Pullet chicks hatched		2016 as percent of 2015	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-18 months earlier ¹		
	2015	2016	01 2015	2016	2017	
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	
January February March April May June July August September October November December	320 267 166	148 189 160 240 327 244 268	55 61 46 110 139 76 100	3,386 3,378 3,293 3,121 3,082 3,149 3,116 2,994 2,874 2,688 2,709 2,801	2,725 2,726	
Total	3,116					

¹ For July 2016, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched January 2015 through December 2015. The 7-18 months represent the first laying cycle. Molting and additional laying cycles will increase the cumulative potential placements.

Broiler-Type Eggs in Incubators on the First of the Month – Regions and United States: 2015-2016

[See regional listing on page 21]

Region	Jul	y 1	2016 as	Aug	2016 as	
	2015	2016	percent of 2015	2015	2016	percent of 2015
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(percent)
North Atlantic	14,301 14,620 31,263 251,432 316,384 24,174	13,473 15,279 30,338 252,705 317,856 22,357	94 105 97 101 100 92	13,528 13,952 30,937 249,956 315,082 23,382	13,946 14,763 30,013 249,552 318,574 23,152	103 106 97 100 101 99
United States	652,174	652,008	100	646,837	650,000	100

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched - States and United States: July 2015 and 2016

State	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)
Alabama Arkansas Delaware Florida Georgia Kentucky Louisiana Maryland Mississippi	109,515 79,119 18,022 4,596 125,674 29,345 14,211 29,243 67,273	106,987 82,512 17,788 4,343 128,468 28,409 13,289 29,785 68,592	98 104 99 94 102 97 94 102	741,806 549,339 120,631 30,198 855,258 197,880 97,699 198,079 457,426	736,110 567,068 123,054 30,783 876,631 196,125 90,975 201,513 467,555	99 103 102 102 102 99 93 102
Missouri	30,496	29,470	97	207,650	204,241	98
North Carolina Oklahoma Pennsylvania South Carolina Texas Virginia California, Tennessee,	79,995 24,712 17,137 19,693 57,228 24,042	76,835 26,662 16,504 21,474 58,277 24,731	96 108 96 109 102 103	536,683 164,578 113,373 135,046 388,817 165,574	534,919 174,348 117,433 139,652 396,434 165,577	100 106 104 103 102 100
and West Virginia	45,406	44,671	98	306,805	307,007	100
19 States ¹	775,707	778,797	100	5,266,842	5,329,425	101
Other States ²	29,805	31,439	105	204,544	210,856	103
United States	805,512	810,236	101	5,471,386	5,540,281	101

Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched by Month – United States: 2015-2016

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

		By months		Cumulative			
Month	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	
January February March April May June July August September October November December	792,030 711,289 791,428 773,353 809,844 787,930 805,512 799,162 761,688 755,076 732,518 798,157	799,420 748,650 804,128 780,779 807,648 789,420 810,236	101 105 102 101 100 100	792,030 1,503,319 2,294,747 3,068,100 3,877,944 4,665,874 5,471,386 6,270,548 7,032,236 7,787,312 8,519,830 9,317,987	799,420 1,548,070 2,352,198 3,132,977 3,940,625 4,730,045 5,540,281	101 103 103 102 102 101 101	

¹ States in the weekly hatchery production estimating program.
² Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Intended Placements of Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks for Hatchery Supply Flocks by Month and Total: 2015-2017

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month	Pullet chick	ks hatched	2016 as percent	Cumulative potential placements relative to current supply flocks 7-15 months earlier ¹		
	2015	2016	of 2015	2016	2017	
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(percent)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	
United States placements						
January	6,944	6,726	97	65,531	68,864	
February	7,892	8,098	103	66,136	69,963	
March	7,160	8,143	114	66,452		
April	6,995	7,615	109	68,230		
May	7,541	8,083	107	68,149		
June	7,790	8,562	110	67,487		
July	7,428	7,962	107	67,871		
August	7,907			67,602		
September	8,573			68,159		
October	6,863			68,512		
November	7,230			68,699		
December	7,544			68,875		
Annual total	89,867					
Total placements ²						
January	8,382	8,275	99			
February	9,546	10,098	106			
March	8,875	10,025	113			
April	8,358	9,128	109			
May	9,409	9,954	106			
June	9,785	10,261	105			
July	9,907	9,293	94			
August	10,040					
September	10,810					
October	8,681					
November	8,872					
December	9,321					
Annual total	111,986					

¹ For July 2016, includes breeder pullet chicks hatched April 2015 through December 2015. ² United States production of intended placements worldwide.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Primary data for the *Chickens and Eggs* report are from weekly and/or monthly questionnaires sent to producers. An attempt is made to collect information for layer and egg estimates from each known contractor and independent producer who has at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, or pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets. Coverage for operations with less than 30,000 table egg layers are estimated each month based on data reported in December. Approximately 500 contractors, independent egg producers, and pullet only operations are contacted each month. Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Data for egg-type hatchery estimates are collected monthly from all egg-type hatcheries that hatch at least 50,000 chicks a year.

Estimating Procedures: Sound statistical methodology is employed to derive estimates from the reported data. All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness. Individual hatchery data are summed to State, regional, and United States totals.

For chicken hatcheries, chicks hatched consist of all chicks of domesticated breeds including males and chicks destined for hatchery supply flocks and research purposes. Eggs set are eggs in incubators for the purpose of hatching. The relationship of egg-type chicks hatched to chicken inventory and poultry marketings are carefully monitored. The disposition of egg-type chicks hatched prior to placement into the laying flock can vary significantly, which can make comparisons to changes in layer inventory inconsistent over time. Broiler chicks placed are specifically for meat production. Intended placement data reported by leading breeders include pullet chicks expected from eggs sold the preceding month. The breeders in this report account for a large percentage of replacement pullets for hatchery supply flocks. Production of replacement pullets by these breeders indicates the number of pullets available to hatchery supply layer flocks several months before the pullets will actually move into the laying flocks. "Hatchery Supply Flocks" include all generations of layers which could lay eggs to supply a hatchery. This includes the generations of parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, pedigree, etc. Also included are research flocks, vaccine flocks, and specific pathogen-free flocks. The broiler cumulative potential placements are a moving total of the intended placements 7-15 months earlier. The egg-type cumulative potential placements of 7-18 months earlier represent the first laying cycle. Molting and additional laying cycles will increase the cumulative potential placements of egg-type hatching flocks.

Revision Policy: The previous month's estimates are subject to revision if late reports or corrected data indicates a different level. Additionally, revisions after the monthly report will be made at the end of the marketing year and published in the annual reports of *Chickens and Eggs Summary* and *Hatchery Production Summary*. Estimates will also be reviewed for chickens and eggs after data from the 5-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions will be made after that date.

Reliability: Estimates are based on a census of all known contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 table egg layers, flocks of hatchery supply layers, pullet only operations with at least 500 pullets, or operating hatcheries and therefore, have no sampling error. However, estimates are subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

To assist in evaluating the reliability of the estimates in this report, the "Root Mean Square Error" is shown for selected items in the following table. The "Root Mean Square Error" is a statistical measure based on past performance and is computed using the differences between first and final estimates. The "Root Mean Square Error" for all layers over the past 24 months is 1.4 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 358 million layers by more than 1.4 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 2.5 percent.

Reliability of Layer and Egg Estimates

[Based on data for the past twenty-four months]

		90 percent	Difference between first and latest estimate					
Item	Root mean square error	confidence	Augraga	Cmallast	On all and I amount	Mor	nths	
	level	level	Average	Smallest	Largest	Below latest	Above latest	
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(number)	(number)	
All layers	1.4	2.5	4,134	2	12,554	23	1	
			(million)	(million)	(million)			
Eggs	1.5	2.6	101	0	308	21	1	

Egg-Type Regional Listing

North Atlantic: Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania.

East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin.

West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska.

South Atlantic: Florida, Georgia, Virginia.
South Central: Alabama, Mississippi, Texas.
West: California, Idaho, New Mexico.

Broiler-Type Regional Listing

North Atlantic: New York, Pennsylvania.

East North Central: Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin.

West North Central: Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri.

South Atlantic: Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia.

South Central: Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas.

West: California, Oregon, Washington.

Terms and Definitions of Chickens and Eggs Estimates

All Layers includes both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

Intended Placements are reported by leading breeders. Coverage may not be 100 percent. Includes expected pullet chicks from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per case of 30 dozen eggs.

Molted Layers is the same data series as the previously published Forced Molt Layers. Nomenclature changed as of January 2015.

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